



# Introduction to Bioinformatics

## 3. DNA editing and contig assembly

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### What we will cover today

- DNA editing
  - Phred
- Sequence assembly (Contig building)
  - Phrap
  - Consed
  - CAP3
  - DNA Star - commercial software
  - <http://www.phrap.org/>



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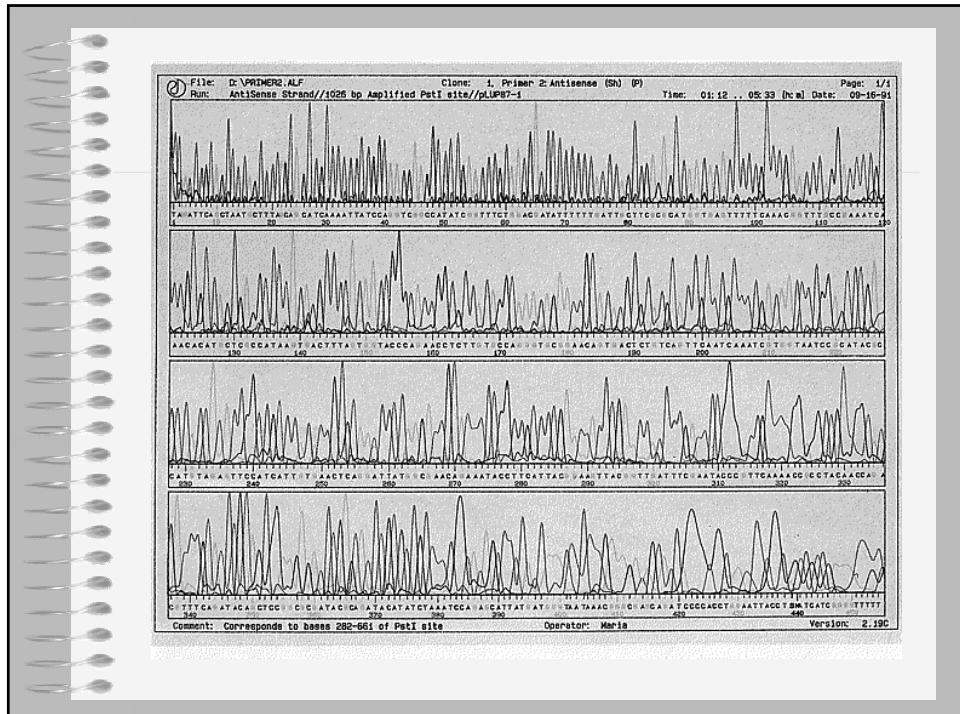
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- DNA Sequencing software
- DNA sequence assembly
- Similarity searching with a DNA sequence
- BLAST

## You cloned a cDNA

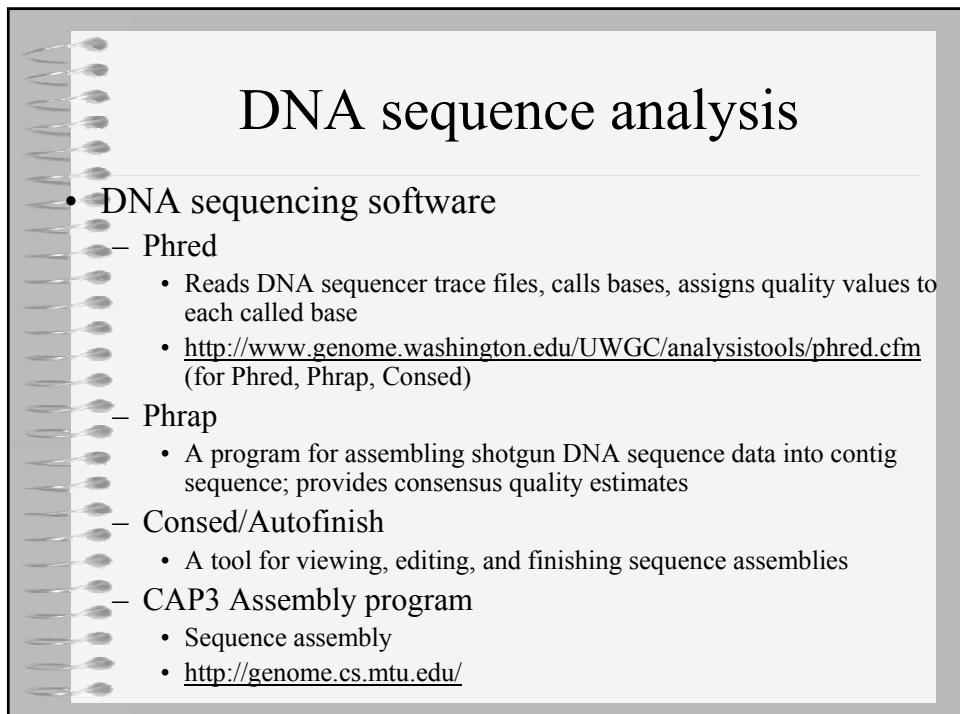
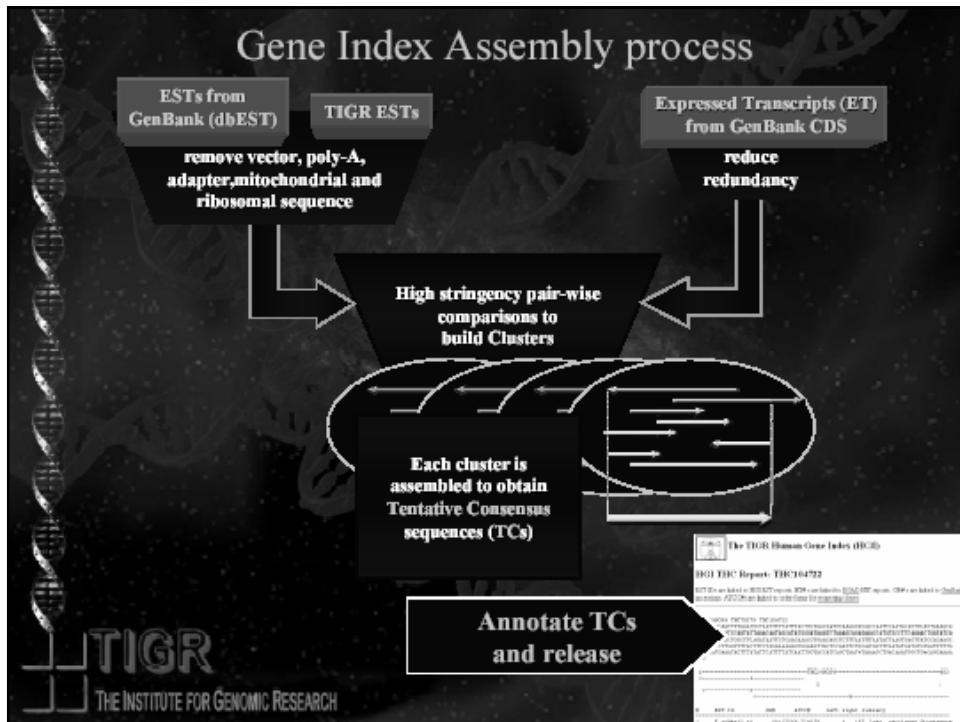
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- Isolated mRNA
- Reverse transcribed
- Placed into vector
- Transformed and grew bacteria
- Harvested plasmid
- Sequenced insert



## DNA sequence analysis

- Is full-length cDNA cloned?
- What are its properties
- What is function of encoded protein?
- Are there family members?
- Is it cloned from other organisms?





## DNA editing and sequence assembly - building contiguous sequences (contigs)

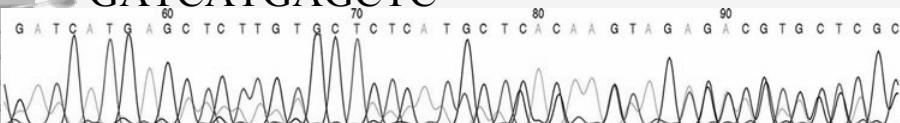
- Phil Green
- Genome Sciences, University of Washington
- <http://www.phrap.org>
- Provides software and documentation

## Phred

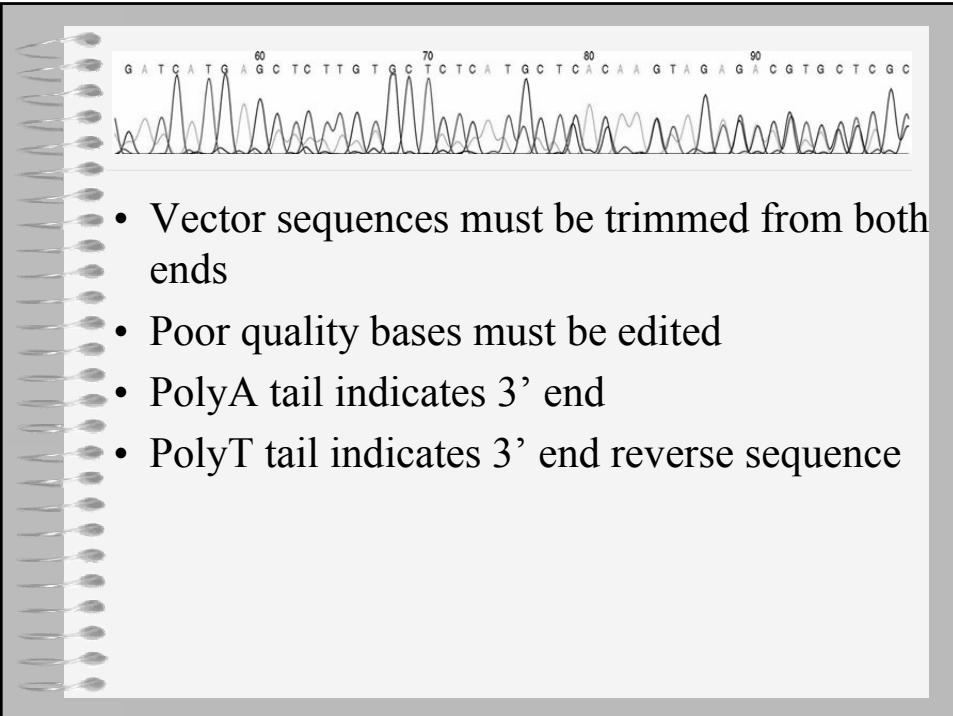
- Software reads sequencing trace files
- Calls bases
- Assigns a quality value to each called base
  - Correct and incorrect base calls
  - Quality values allow sequence trimming
- Works with Amersham Biosciences, Applied Biosystems, Beckman, LI-COR Life Sciences instruments

Which base reads are reliable

- GATCATGAGCTC



Phred



5' end  
 TTTATCATGGCTGCCCTAGGGCGAT  
 GAATGATCGTATGCCAGCTAAAAAAA  
 AAAATCCGCCG  
 3' end

From 5' end:  
 ATG = methionine - possible start site  
 TGA=STOP site  
 AAAA...= possible polyA tail  
 Remaining 3' sequence may be cloning vector sequence



## Phrap

- Assembling shotgun DNA sequence data
- Improves assembly accuracy in presence of repeats
- Provides extensive assembly information to assist in trouble-shooting assembly problems
- Handles large data sets

## Consed

- Automatically chooses finishing reads
- Speeds up finishing
- Integrated with Phrap
- DNA editing more efficient

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Internet Explorer window with the title "SWBIC - DNA Sequencing Software - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The address bar contains the URL <http://www.swbic.org/links/1.4.1.php>. The main content area displays a navigation menu with tabs for "Educational Resources", "Internet Resources", and "Products & Services". Below the menu, a section titled "DNA Sequencing Software" is listed under "Internet Resources / Bioinformatics & Genomics / Genomics & DNA Sequence Analysis". The page lists several software programs:

- BASS [Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research] A software program for tracking, extracting, and base calling DNA sequencing gels. [\[more info\]](#)
- Chromas1.2 [Technelysium] This program displays and prints chromatogram files from ABI automated DNA sequencers and Staden SCF files, and it allows the user to manipulate the sequences. [\[more info\]](#)
- DNATools [Carlsberg Laboratory] Software for handling and analysis of nucleotide and protein sequences. This downloadable package also has special functions for EST and SAGE

The left sidebar contains links to "iDNAfication", "DoD Biotech Resources", "Minority Student Resources", "Bioinformatics Tools", and "Search Internet Resources". The bottom of the page features a "Welcome to SWBIC" banner.

The screenshot shows a web page with the title "Sequence from your cDNA clone". The page displays a long DNA sequence:

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TGCTCTCAATCTC
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# DNA sequence assembly

- PHRAP
- ConSED
- CAP3
- DNASTAR by Lasergene
  - Commercial - <http://www.dnastar.com/>
- Sequencher- commercial automated sequencers
  - <http://www.genecodes.com/>
  - Sequencher protocol
  - <http://bip.weizmann.ac.il/sequencher/sequencher.html>

cystein protease

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# Sequence Alignments

## Why do DNA sequence alignments?

- If your sequence is not full length, then add other expressed sequence tags (ESTs) to build full-length clone
- Can identify mismatches for single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) discovery
- Provide a measure of relatedness between nucleotide sequences
- Usually protein alignments with other proteins are used to determine relatedness that allows the drawing of biological inferences regarding
  - Structural relationships
  - Functional relationships
  - Evolutionary relationships



# Similarity

- A quantitative measure
- Based on an observable
- Usually expressed as percent identity
- Quantifies changes that occur as two sequences diverge
  - Substitutions
  - Insertions
  - Deletions
- Identifies residues crucial for maintaining a protein's structure or function

# Similarity

- High degrees of similarity *might* imply
  - A common evolutionary history
  - A possible commonality in biological function



# Homology

- Implies an evolutionary relationship
- May apply to the relationship
  - Between genes separated by the event of speciation (orthology), ie. orthologous genes
  - Between genes separated by the event of genetic duplication (paralogy), ie. paralogous genes

- Orthologs
  - Sequences are direct descendants of a sequence in a common ancestor
  - Most likely have similar domain structure, three dimensional structure, and biological function
- Paralogs
  - Related through a gene duplication event
  - Provides insight into evolution, ie. adapting a pre-existing gene product for a new function



## Global Sequence Alignments

- Sequence comparison along the entire length of two sequences being aligned
- Best for highly similar sequences of similar length
- As the degree of sequence similarity declines, global alignment methods tend to miss relationships

## Local Sequence Alignments

- Sequence comparison intended to find the most similar regions in two sequences being aligned
- Regions outside the area of local alignment are excluded
- More than one local alignment could be generated
- Best for sequences that share some similarity or for sequences of different lengths

# Scoring Matrices

- Empirical weighting scheme to represent biology
- DNA only has A,T,G,C
- Protein has amino acids; relatedness among amino acids; function; charges; side groups

## Matrix Structure: Nucleotides

A	T	G	C	A	T	G	C	A	T	G	C	A	T	G	C
A	-4	-4	-4	-4	1	1	-4	-4	1	1	-4	-1	-1	-1	-2
T	-4	1	-4	-4	1	-4	1	1	-4	-1	-4	-1	-1	-2	-2
G	-4	-4	1	-4	-1	-4	1	-4	1	-4	-1	-1	-4	-1	-2
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- Simple match/mismatch scoring scheme
- Assumes each nucleotide occurs 25% of the time



## Sequence alignment – Building a contiguous sequence “contig”

### Building a contig

- ESTs must be from the same gene, not a paralog (gene duplication event)
- ESTs must be of high quality sequence
- After a contig is constructed, the sequence should be confirmed by cloning and sequencing



EST 1: gaggctatgccgtccgagattacggcgttacaggattcagatt

EST 2: ggacccaagttcacgtccaatattgtgttgaccatagaaaaaaaaaa

EST 3: acggcgttacaggattcagattcatggacccaagttcacgtc

## EST alignment to make contig

EST 1: gagectatgecgtecgagattacggcgttacaggattcagatt

EST 3: acggcgttacaggattcagattcatggacccaagttcacgtc

EST2: ggacccaagttcacgtccaatattgtgttgacc  
atagaaaaaaaaaa

Consensus sequence:

gagectatgcgtccgagattacggcgttacaggattcagattcatggacccaagttcacgtccaatattgtgttgaccata  
aaaaaaaaaa

In this example EST 3 forms a bridge to connect EST 1 and EST 2



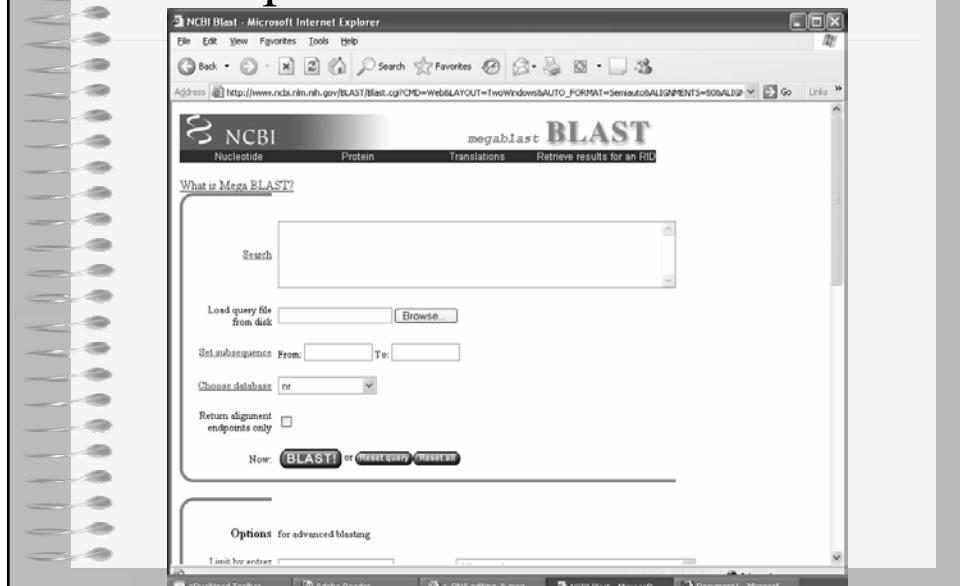
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Making a contig from EST sequences

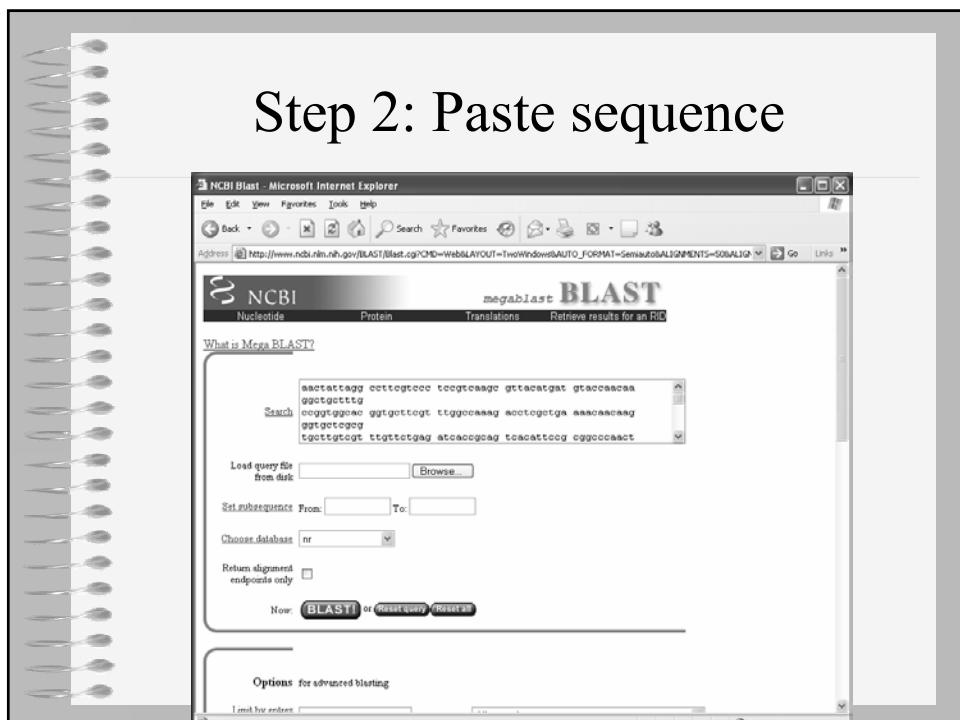
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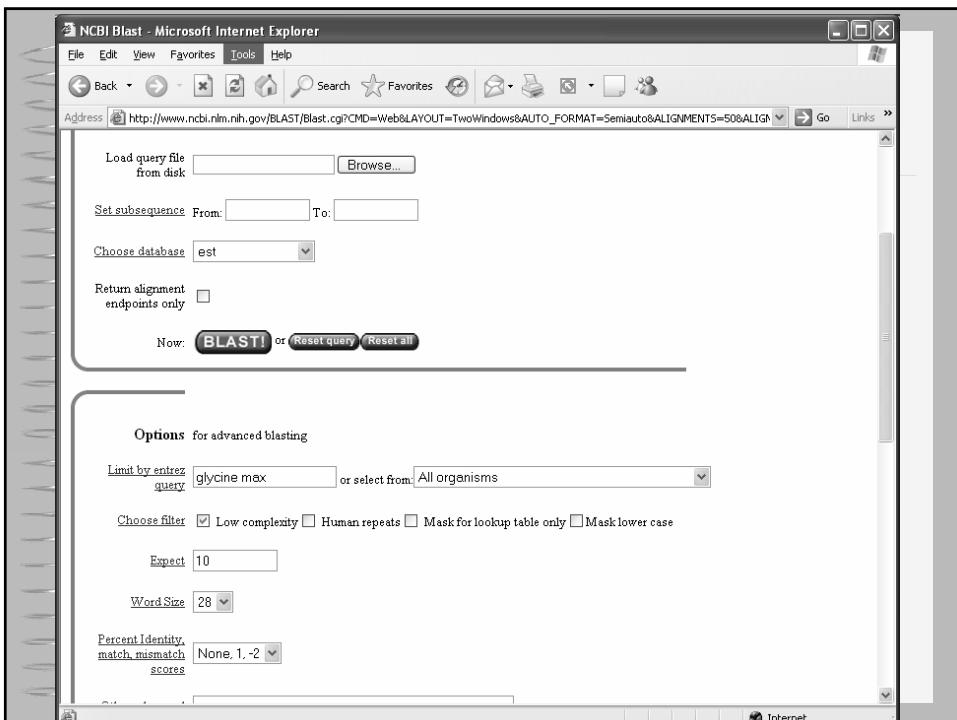
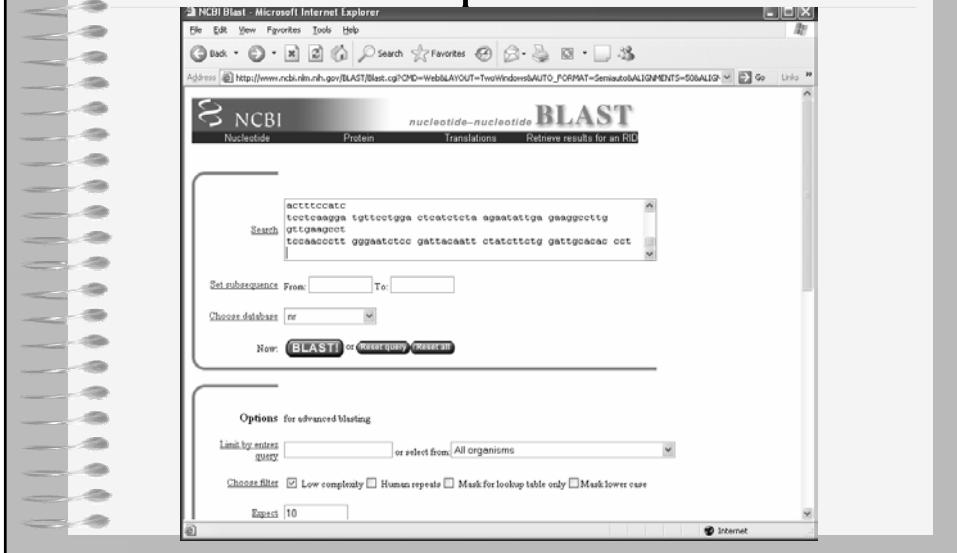
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## Step 2: Paste sequence



# Step 3: Set constraints and options



## Step 4: BLAST!

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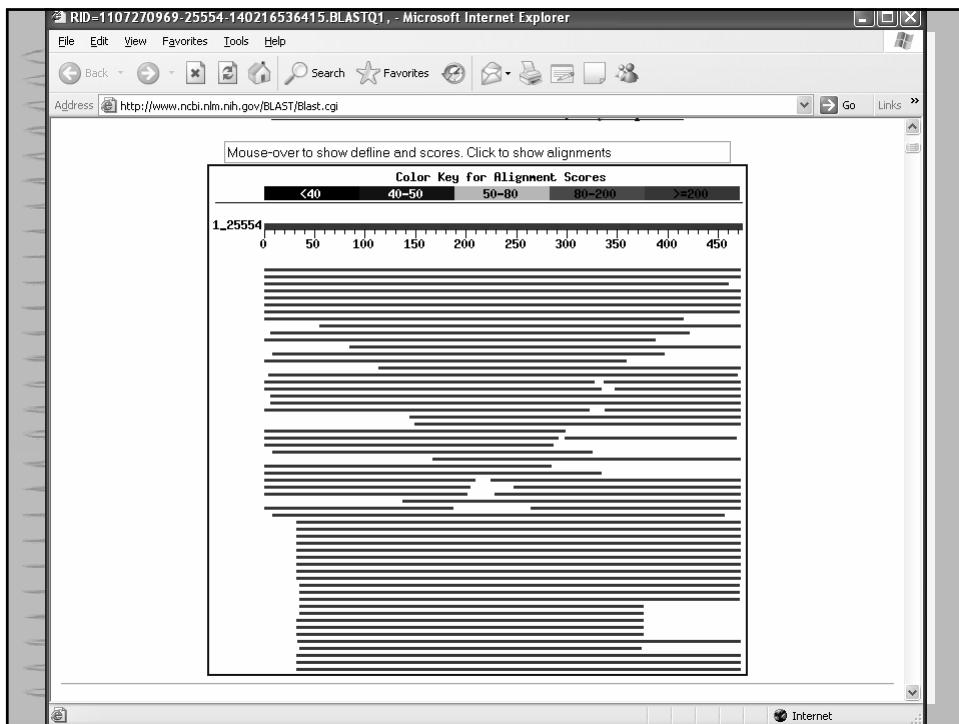
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# Collect sequences into a series of files so they can be aligned

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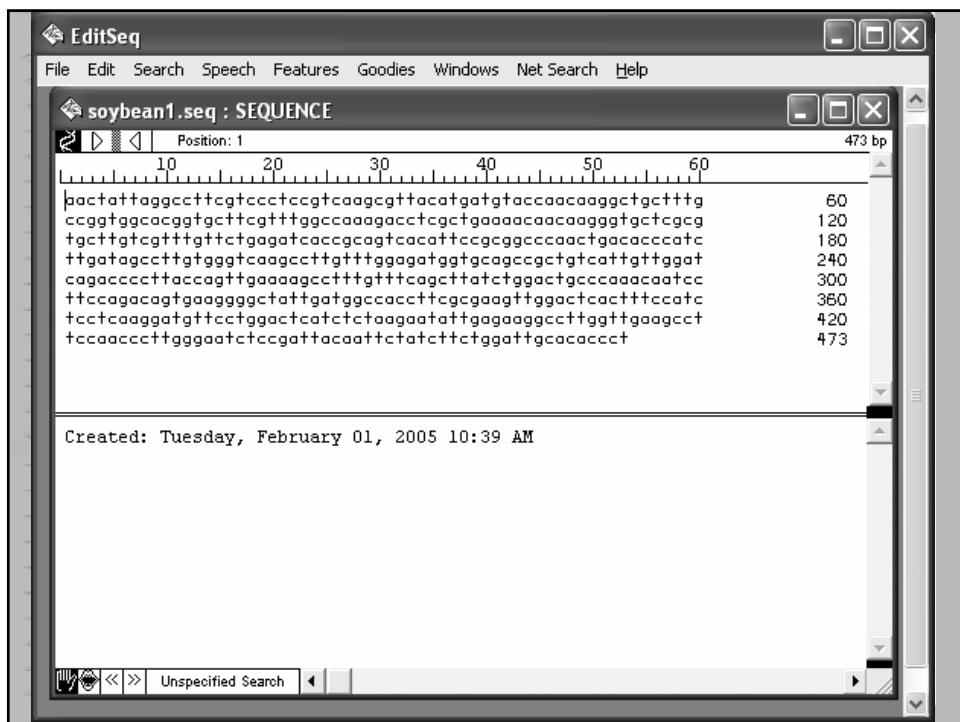
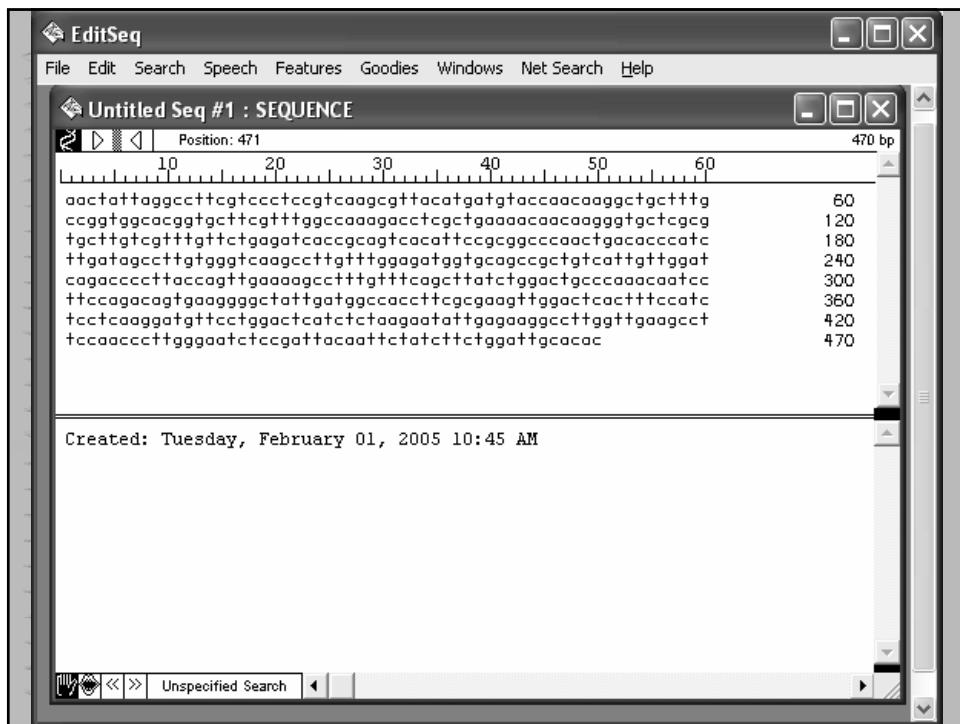
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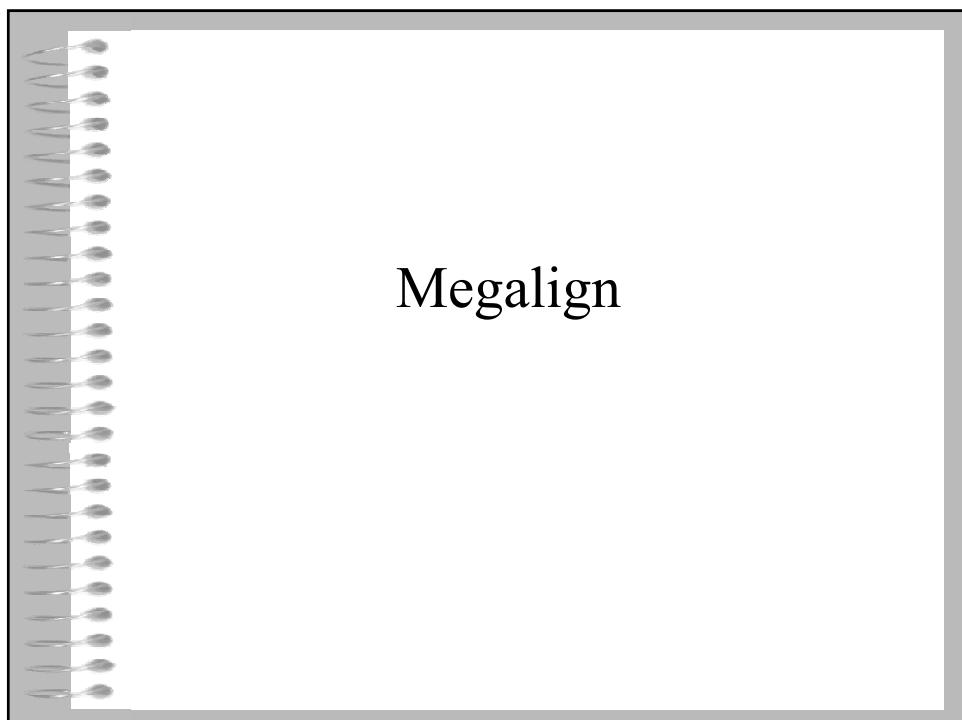
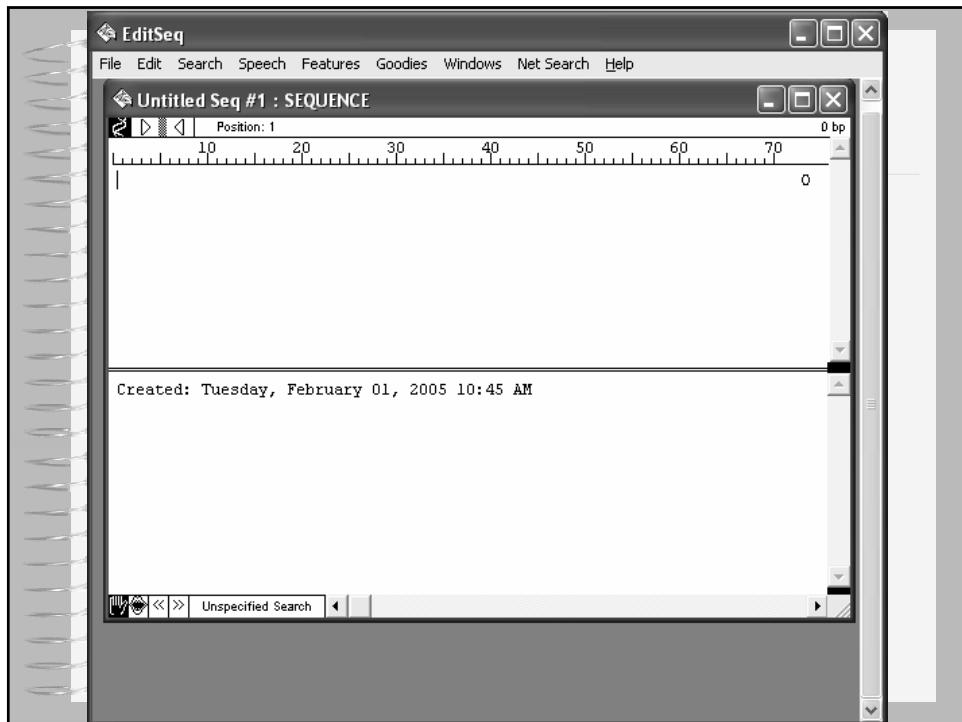
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61 acccaagtcc aagattaccat atctcatctt ttgcaccact agtgggtgtcg acatgcctgg
121 tgctgtattt cagctcaactt aactttagg ctttcgtccc tccgtcaagg ttacatgat
181 gtaccaacaa ggctgtttt cccgtggcac ggtgctcgt ttggccaaag acctcgctga
241 aaacaacaag ggtgctcggtc tgctgtcggtt ttgttcttag atcaccgcag tcacattcc
301 cggcccaact gacacccatc ttgtatggctt tggggtcaa gcctgtttt gggatgggtc
361 agccgcgttc attgttggat cagacccctt accagttaa aagcccttgtt tcagcttat
421 ctggactgcc caaacaatcc ttccagacag tgaaggggctt attgatggcc acctcgca
481 agttggactc actttccatc tccatctta agaatattga
541 gaaggccctt gttgaaggcctt tcccaaccctt gggaaatctcc gattacaattt ctatctctg
601 g
```

# DNA STAR

- Edit sequence
  - Allows you to import and edit DNA and protein sequences
- Megalign
  - Allows you to align DNA and protein sequences

Edit Sequence









# CAP EST Assembler

## Contig Assembly Program

- <http://bio.ifom-firc.it/ASSEMBLY/assemble.html>
- Can use up to 30,000 EST sequences
- Fragment maximum is 30,000 bp
- Sequences must be in FASTA format
- Huang, X. 1992. Genomics 14: 18-25
- Huang, X. 1996. Genomics 33: 21-31

# Edit file

- Some DNA and protein alignment software requires a specific format
- FASTA format
  - Header HAS TO start with ‘ > ’
  - A description should follow
  - For DNA only five letters A,C,T,G,N allowed
  - No numbers

```
>soybean1
ATTCCCTTAGGATC...
>soybean 2
TCCGTCAAGGTGTT...
>soybean3
GGCTATGGCCTAAT...
```

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Internet Explorer window displaying the CAP EST Assembler at IFOM website. The title bar reads "The CAP Sequence Assembly Machine - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The address bar shows the URL "http://bio.ifom-firc.it/ASSEMBLY/assemble.html". The main content area has a heading "The CAP EST Assembler at IFOM" and a bulleted list of assembly parameters:

- Maximum sequence length for each sequence is 30.000 - Maximum number of sequences 10.000
- Timeout for interactive assembly is 5 minutes - Maximum uploadable data is 1 Megabyte
- MAXIMUM FRAGMENT LENGTH IS 30.000 bp - this software is optimized for EST assembly

Below the list is a text input field with the placeholder "Enter sequences to assemble below, in **FASTA** format:".

The CAP Sequence Assembly Machine - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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Address http://bio.ifom-firc.it/ASSEMBLY/assemble.html

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- Timeout for interactive assembly is 5 minutes - Maximum uploadable data is 1 Megabyte
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Enter sequences to assemble below, in FASTA format:

```
>Soybean1
aatggggtcacccaaagtccaaagattaccatctatctttgcaccactagtgggtc
gacatgccttgcgtcgat
cagtcactaaactattaggcccttcgcgcctccgtcaagcggttacatgttaccaaca
aggcggtgttgcgcac
gggtgttgcgttgcgcacaaagacctcgctgaaaacaacaagggtgtcggtgcgtgcgt
tttgttctgagatcaccgcag
tcacatttcgcgcacaaactgacaccatcttgatagccttgcgtcaagccttgcgt
ggagatgggtcagccgcgtgc
atgttggatgacaccccttaccgttgcgttgcgttgcgttgcgttgcgttgcgttgcgt
ccagacaatcttcagacag
tgaaggggcttggatggacaccccttcgcgaagtgggttcactttcatctcccaagg
atgttctggactatctcca
agaatattgagaaggcccttgcgttgcgttgcgttgcgttgcgttgcgttgcgttgcgt
tctatcttcggattgcacac
cct
>Soybean2
ggcacatcaaggaaatgggtcaacccaaagtccaaagattaccatctatctttgcacca
ctagtgtgtcgacatgcctg
gtgtgttattatcgtactaaactattaggccttgcgtccctccgtcaagcggttacatg
```

Internet

Caps Assembler at IFOM output - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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Address http://bio.ifom-firc.it/cgi-bin/Assembly/capassembly.pl

The Cap Sequence Assembler at IFOM

Program Cap3 used

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Assembly results:

Number of segment pairs = 20; number of pairwise comparisons = 10  
 '+' means given segment; '-' means reverse complement

Overlaps	Containments	No. of Constraints	Supporting Overlap
***** Contig 1 *****			
SOYBEAN4+	SOYBEAN1+ is in SOYBEAN4+ SOYBEAN5+ is in SOYBEAN1+ SOYBEAN3+ is in SOYBEAN4+		
SOYBEAN2+			
<b>DETAILED DISPLAY OF CONTIGS</b>			
***** Contig 1 *****			
SOYBEAN4+	GTCGATGATTAAGAACGGATACATGACTTAAACGAAGAGATCCTGAAAGAGAACATCCGAG		
consensus	GTCGATGATTAAGAACGGATACATGACTTAAACGAAGAGATCCTGAAAGAGAACATCCGAG		
SOYBEAN4+ SOYBEAN3+	TGTTTGCTTACATGGCACCTCGTTGGATGCAAGGCAAGACATGGTGGTTGTGGAGGT TGTGGAGGT		
consensus	TGTTTGCTTACATGGCACCTCGTTGGATGCAAGGCAAGACATGGTGGTTGTGGAGGT		

Internet

Cap3 Assembler 41 from output - Microsoft Internet Explorer

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Address http://bio.itform-firc.it/cgi-bin/Assembly/capassemble.pl

DETAILED DISPLAY OF CONTIGS

\*\*\*\*\* Contig 1 \*\*\*\*\*

SOYBEAN4+	GTCGATGATTAAGAAGCGATACATGTACTTAAACGAAGAGATCCTGAAAGAGAAATCCGAG
consensus	GTCGATGATTAAGAAGCGATACATGTACTTAAACGAAGAGATCCTGAAAGAGAAATCCGAG
SOYBEAN4+	TGTTTGCTTACATGGCACCTCTGTTGGATGCAAGGCAGACATGGTGGTTGTGGAGGT
SOYBEAN3+	TGTGGAGGT
consensus	TGTTTGCTTACATGGCACCTCTGTTGGATGCAAGGCAGACATGGTGGTTGTGGAGGT
SOYBEAN4+	ACCAAAGTTGGAAAAGAGGGCTGCAACTAACCGCAATCAAGGAATGGGTCAACCCAAGTC
SOYBEAN1+	AATGGGGTCAACCCAAGTC
SOYBEAN5+	AATGGGGTCAACCCAAGTC
SOYBEAN3+	ACCAAAGTTGGAAAAGAGGGCTGCAACTAACCGCAATCAAGGAATGGGTCAACCCAAGTC
SOYBEAN2+	GGCAATCAAGGAATGGGTCAACCCAAGTC
consensus	ACCAAAGTTGGAAAAGAGGGCTGCAACTAACCGCAATCAAGGAATGGGTCAACCCAAGTC
SOYBEAN4+	CAAGATTACCCATCTCATTTTGCAACCACTAGTGGTGTGACATGCCCTGGTGTGATTAA
SOYBEAN1+	CAAGATTACCCATCTCATTTTGCAACCACTAGTGGTGTGACATGCCCTGGTGTGATTAA
SOYBEAN5+	CAAGATTACCCATCTCATTTTGCAACCACTAGTGGTGTGACATGCCCTGGTGTGATTAA
SOYBEAN3+	CAAGATTACCCATCTCATTTTGCAACCACTAGTGGTGTGACATGCCCTGGTGTGATTAA
SOYBEAN2+	CAAGATTACCCATCTCATTTTGCAACCACTAGTGGTGTGACATGCCCTGGTGTGATTAA
consensus	CAAGATTACCCATCTCATTTTGCAACCACTAGTGGTGTGACATGCCCTGGTGTGATTAA
SOYBEAN4+	TCAGCTCACTAAACTATTAGGCCTTCGCCCTCCGTCAAGCCTAACATGATGTACCAACA
SOYBEAN1+	TCAGCTCACTAAACTATTAGGCCTTCGCCCTCCGTCAAGCCTAACATGATGTACCAACA
SOYBEAN5+	TCAGCTCACTAAACTATTAGGCCTTCGCCCTCCGTCAAGCCTAACATGATGTACCAACA
SOYBEAN3+	TCAGCTCACTAAACTATTAGGCCTTCGCCCTCCGTCAAGCCTAACATGATGTACCAACA

Internet

## What we learned today

- DNA editing
- Phred
- Phrap
- Consed
- DNA Sequencing software
- DNA sequence assembly
- Similarity searching with a DNA sequence
- BLAST